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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

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1. References:

- a. AR 608-20, Army Voting Assistance Program 28 October 2004.
- b. Department of Defense Directive 1000.04, Federal Voting Assistance Program, 14 April 2004, certified current as of 23 April 2007.
- c. Implementation of the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA), 16 November 1994, certified current as of 21 November 2003.
- d. National Defense Authorization Act 2010 (NDAA 2010).
- e. 42 U.S.C. § 1973ff (1986), Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA).
- f. Memorandum, Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), 19 September 2007, subject: Guidance on Implementing Voting Assistance Programs.

2. In 2014, all 435 seats in the House of Representative and 33 Senate seats will be up for re-election, along with Governor and Mayoral races in many states. This memorandum provides guidance on the 2014 Army Voting Action Plan (enclosed), to include instructions for the Army Voting Assistance Program. This plan reflects the Army's regulatory guidance, Department of Defense Directive 1000.04 and the requirements from the NDAA 2010.

3. As the Army Senior Voting Representative, please accept my gratitude for your performance as the Senior Voting Assistance Officer (SVAO) within your Army Command (ACOM), Army Service Component Command (ASCC), and Direct Reporting Unit (DRU). Command support is absolutely imperative for the success of the Army Voting Assistance Program.

4. As SVAOs, I need you to pay particular attention to reporting requirements. The metrics gathered show the effectiveness of the program and assist in program improvements. You must ensure 100 percent of your Soldiers are contacted by a Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO), offered information about voting and the absentee

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voting process. Each Soldier should know his or her appointed UVAO. Our Soldiers protect the right of others to vote and deserve our assistance in executing this crucial privilege of having the right to vote. Leaders are responsible for ensuring this happens.

5. UVAO training is available via CD-ROM or by accessing the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) online training at www.fvap.gov. Each VAO should complete a certificate of training within 30 days of appointment. Given the availability of web enabled training, VAOs no longer have to wait to become certified through installation training. As a result, VAOs are available to assist Soldiers, Civilians, and Family members earlier in the voting process.

6. I appreciate your continued efforts in support of this important program. My point of contact is Ms. Rachel Gilman, Army Voting Action Officer, at 502-613-8475 or DSN 983-8475; e-mail address is rachel.r.gilman.civ@mail.mil.

7. Send your vote home-VOTE!

Encls

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